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Assemblyman Katcho Achadjian  
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Dear Assemblyman Achadjian:

We would like to voice our support for an initiative proposed by Mr. Timothy Meadows to name a section of our State Highway in honor his son, and our County Search and Rescue member, Christopher Meadows.

As you know, Christopher was tragically killed in the line of duty on May 24, 2009, while volunteering for the Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue Team. Chris was the first-ever member of the county's search and rescue team to be lost in the line of duty, and only the third in the entire history of the sheriff's department. We feel that naming a prominent section of roadway in the county is not only appropriate but also a fitting tribute to such a fine young man who had so much to give but was taken too early at age 24.

Chris was originally from the Bay Area, but had made San Luis Obispo his home since starting at Cal Poly in 2003. A Cal Poly Orfalea College of Business graduate in 2007, Chris chose a career helping others, and after attaining his EMT certification from Cuesta College, began working for San Luis Ambulance Service. He was in the process of applying to paramedic schools when he was killed. Chris was the 2009 Probationary Member of the Year on the Search and Rescue team. His legacy lives on in the form of the Christopher Meadows Memorial Paramedic Education Fund, which has awarded paramedic scholarships to four students since 2010.

We hope that you will move to introduce legislation to name a portion of State Highway 101 between San Luis Obispo and Pismo Beach or a section of State Highway 1 in the vicinity of the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's headquarters in honor of our exemplary community member, Christopher Meadows.

Sincerely,

James R. Patterson  
Chairperson